The Bible & Daily Living

Conditions for a ruinous fall

By William Trimyer
CONDITIONS FOR DOWNFALL
Lesson for July 8, 1984
Bible Study Passages: I Kings 11:29-33; 12:15-16.

INTRODUCTION

What does it take for a business to go under? What does it take for an individual to mess up their life? What does it take for a country to become divided? What does it take for a church to be divided? The answer often is, not much.

We all know of businesses that failed because the owners practiced bad business manners or drank up the profits. We know lots of individuals who made a mess of a life that was going well. We are very much aware of how our country ws earlier divided during the Civil War. We each know of churches which have split down the middle, leaving a lot of scars and hurt feelings.

In life we witness divisions of all sorts. We see broken homes and marriages. People are divided by political and religious differences. Neighbors are divided over lines. The chasm between some people yawns wide.

This week's lesson looks at the decline and fall of the nation of Israel. We will see how religious loyalty and social justice are crucial ingredients for a nation's survival.

SOLOMON'S REBELLION [I Kings 11: 29-33.

Solomon began well but had a miserable finish. You will recall from last week's lesson that Solomon exhibited a fine start. He had the ability and upbringing to make a fine leader. But he became rebellious spirit, turning to sexual indulgence and idolatry. In the end he lost his thorone and God's affirmation.

A man who was both "able and industrious" began a revolt against Solomon's abuse of people. Solomon used the people of Israel as enforced laborers. Jereboam was a man with a comasssionate spirit toward those who were abused by Solomon. Jereboam exhibited the "right stuff" of which kings and leaders are born.

A prophet came on the scene by the name of Ahijah. He and Jereboam met alone in a field. There Ahijah tore his new robe into twelve pieces, symbolizing the twelve tribesl of Israel. He gave ten pieces to Jereboam and told him he would soon assume the throne over Israel.

PLEA FOR REFORM [I Kings 12:15-16.

Following Solomon's death the ten tribes to the north sought to free themselves from the burdens of Solomon's past reign. They sent for Rehaboam to become their king, promising to follow him as they did they did not have to live under intolerable burdens. Rehoboan refused to listen to his advisors who told him to tell the people they could only expect greater burdens. The ten northern tribes later declared their independence.

The "Boam Brothers" were bad hombres. They were not really brothers, but they both became disloyalists to the God of Israel. Jereboam built shrines and idols and encouraged the people of Israel to worship them. He paid not no attention to the second commandment which says, "Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them; for I the Lord, thy God am a jealous God.. Exodus 20:3-5a

Thus, it was Jereboam who lead Israel down the road of apostasy and ultimate decay.

If it could happen to the people of Israel, might it happen to us? We myst learn from the lessons of history.

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Trinity UMC plans revival

Trinity United Methodist Church will begin a summer revival Sunday, July 8, at 8 p.m. The Revival will continue through Friday, July 13.

The Rev. Tom Jackson, minister at Marquis Memorial Methodist Church, Waynesboro, Virginia, will be the guest minister. The Rev. Jackson served the Trinity, Mt. Comfort, and Bethel Circuit for six years, leaving in 1970. He and Mrs. Jackson have three children, Cindy, Mike, and Sharon. Cindy lives in Appomattox with her husband, Ronnie Ranson, and their two children, Rhonda and David.

Each night of revival will represent an important part of Christian fellowship, as follows: Sunday-Senior Citizens Night; Monday-Family Night; Tuesday Night-Sunday School Night; Wednesday-Youth Night; Thursday Pac-A-Pow Night; Friday-Pairs 'n' Spares Night.

Special music will also be presented every evening, as follows: Sunday-Shawn Moore and Shana Harvey; Monday-Reeves Quartet; Tuesday-Fellowship Four and Jackie; Wednesday-Three In One; Thursday-Scott Drinkard and Lisa Thompson; Friday-New Hope Baptist Singers.

The Rev. David Camden and the congregation at Trintity look forward to an exciting revival and invite everyone to attend. A prayer room and a nursery will be available each evening.

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WORSHIP

THE REV. JAMES E. GRIFFIN, shown here with his wife Jeanette and their son, Timothy, will become the new pastor at Hollywood Baptist Church.

Griffin accepts pastorate at Hollywood Baptist Church

The Rev. James E. Griffin has accepted the pastorate of Hollywood Baptist Church. The Rev. Griffin, his wife, Jeanette, and son, Timothy, come to us from Sandy Ridge Baptist Church in Rocky Mount, Virginia.

The Rev. Griffin is a graduate of Louisianna College with a B. A. degree and also a graduate of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary with a Master of Divinity

Big celebration set at Liberty Baptist

The sanctuary and Amazing Grace Choir and other members of Liberty Baptist Church will present "The True Spirit of Liberty" on Sunday evening, July 8, at 7:30 p.m.

This patriotic celebration was compiled in 1976 by the pastor, Dr. Daniel E. Scott, who will also serve as narrator. The program consists of patriotic and religious music which traces our nation's history from its birth to present day.

The musical selections will be used in their original form and will be directed by "Mrs. J. Franklin Vaughan and accompanied by Mrs. Sandra Mitchell. The Patriotic readings will be done by the town manager Bill Britton, town Mayor Ronnie Spiggle, Clerk of the County Barbara Williams, Board of Supervisers member Franklin Vaughan, member of mother church Rocks Mary Edith Morris, Pastor of Daughter Church the Rev. George Cridel, David Williams, Ben Marshall, Steve Marshall, Rand Hall, and Teddy Mitchell.

Solos will be performed by Teddy Mitchells, Franklin Vaughan, Steve Marshall, Sandra Mitchell, Patricia Chandler, Gary Youngblood, Bill Barnes, and James Beaty.

The Men's Chorus will be featured on several selections.

Musical selections have been chosen from spirituals and Early American Music, the Civil War Era, gospel hymns, World Wars I and II, and American traditional, old and new.

The American Legion, employees of the town and county and veterans of all wars are cordially invited to attend, as well as all residents of the area and other church bodies.

This is a part of Liberty's 150th year celebration. The theme is "Celebrating the Past, Proclaiming the Future."

Revival planned at Vera

A revival will be held at the Vera Church of God July 9 through July 14 with services beginning at 7 p.m. nightly.

Evangelist Chaplain Bunny Gregory and family will be special guests.

This revival is sponsored by the Bethel Bible Church and the Vera Church of God.

Pastors David Grove and J. D. Mayberry invite the public to attend the revival services.

Jordan Baptist news

The Faithful Few Ladies Club sponsored their annual Ladies Day celebration at Jordan Baptist Church on Sunday, July 1 at 3 p.m. The Rev. Winston R. Jones and one of his choruses from First Baptist South Lynchburg were guests. Everyone enjoyed the day and the Rev. Jones had a great message.

The Young Adult Choir will practice July 5 at 7:30 p.m. with Mrs. Roberta Womack.

Regular preaching service will be held the second Sunday at 5:30 p.m. All members are urged to be present if possible.

Obituaries

Mattie McCoy Mason

Mattie McCoy Mason of Boston, Mass., formerly of Lynchburg died Sunday, June 24, 1984.

She was born in Appomattox County and then lived in Campbell County. She was a member of New Hope Baptist Church and had worked for Miss Elsie Gilliam. Her sister was the late Mrs. Glenn (Alice McCoy) Robertson.

She is survived by two cousins, John Henry McCoy of Campbell County and Maggie McCoy Tweedy of Concord.

Alfred Christopher Neighbors

Alfred Christopher Neighbors, 94, of Jacksonville, Florida,, formerly of Concord, died Monday, June 25, 1984 in Jacksonville. He was the husband of the late Bessie Hudson Neighbors.

Born in Campbell County, he was a son of the late Samuel Richard Neighbors and Alice Wiley Neighbors. He was retired from Lynchburg Training School and Hospital and was a member of Bethlehem United Methodist Church in Concord.

He is survived by four sons, E. Kenneth Neighbors of Reva, Carol E. Neighbors, Tampa, Fla. Berkley B. Neighbors, Greeneboro, N.C. and Marion C. Neighbors of Windsor; four daughters, Mana L. Winegart; Deming, N.M. Alma Ray Buchieri; Somers Conn. Frances N. Daniel, Jacksonville, Fla. and Alikee Jeanneane Trent, San Antonio, Tex., a sister, Etta Moore, Concord; and 20 grandchildren and 15 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 3 p.m. Thursday in Whitten Timberlake Chapel by the Rev. Charles H. Comer. Interment was in Concord Cemetery.

Whitten Timberlake Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

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Mrs. Lowrey Hunter Holthaus

Bennett, Holthaus wed

The marriage of Miss Grace Elizabeth Bennett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Dewey Bennett of Red House, to Mr. Lowrey Hunter Holthaus, son of Dr. and Mrs. Wallace Harold Holthaus of Harrisonburg, took place Saturday evening, June 23 at 6 p.m. at the home of the bride.

The Rev. T.W. Johnson, associate pastor of Harrisonburg Baptist Church and the Rev. Mark Reginald Warren, pastor of Providence Baptist Church, Red House, officiated at the double ring ceremony.

A program of classical wedding music was provided by a string quartet. Miss Cynthia Clark sang "The Gift of Love" as she accompanied herself on the guitar.

The bride, escorted by her father, wore a formal length wedding gown of white satin. The bodice featured [illegible] puff lantern style sleeves. Alencon lace, seed pearls and sequins accented the sweetheart neckline and dropped torso. The full skirt fell to a pick-up raffle in the front with a wide border of alencon lace accenting the skirt. The back of the skirt extended to form a cathedral length train with cutouts of schiffli embroidery. The veil of illusion fell from a wreath of flowers. She carried a bouquet of white roses, lavender freesia, stephanotis and ivy.

Miss Kristi LynnWhite of Annandale was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Anne Cooper Holthaus and Miss Alice Newton Holthaus of Harrisonburg, sisters of the groom; Miss Allison Ann Guthrie of Winchester, cousin of the bride; Miss Cynthia Ann Dunnavant of Charlotte Court House; Miss Judith Arlene Shearon, Miss Susan Kaye Austin and Miss Carol Gennings, all of Richmond.

Dr. Wallace Harold Holthaus served as his son's best man. Groomsmen were Paul Scott Bennet. James Grev Bennet, Brian Ralph Bennet of Red House, brothers of the bride; Timothy O'Neil Bice, Thomas Edward Allen, Steven Marshall Weibe-King and Mark Allen McClanahan, all of Richmond. Jonathan Hunter Bennett, brother of the bride, carried the rings.

Mrs. John Mills Barksdale of Red House and Mrs. James Earl Guthrie of Winchester served as mistresses of ceremonies. Miss Sarah Catherine Holthaus, sister of the groom, and Miss Tracy Dea Harding of Keysville served at the guest register.

A reception was held immediately following the ceremony.

After a southern wedding trip, the couple will live in Richmond.

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Ice cream is a summer treat

By SHIRLEY W. WALTON
Extension Agent

Good News For Homemakers

This part II of a two-part article about ice cream.

Ice Cream is delicious, nutrious and fun to eat. We get an excellent source of calcuim, vitamin D, riboflavin and protein from milk and dairy products. Ice cream which is made from milk is an excellent source of thses nutrients.

Did you know that three billion quarts of ice cream were consumed by the American public in 1981? This would have amounted to 15 quarts of ice cream per person. Did you eat 15 quarts of ice cream in '81?

A survey was conducted to find out who eats ice cream, when it's eaten, and what are the most popular flavors. Ice cream is eaten most often as an afternoon and evening snack. It is also popluar at take-out type outlets and, you quessed it, vanilla is still the most popular ice cream flavor. This is followed closely by chocolate, neopolitan, chocolate chip, and strawberry.

It is difficult for us to believe, but there was a time when sale of sodas was forbidden on Sunday. Creative, ingeneous ice cream parlor owners got around this by concocting ice cream sundaes. This is how the ice cream sundae was developed.

Over 80 percent of ice cream products are sold through grocery and convenience stores. Nearly half of all ice cream that is sold goes into the consumer's refrigerator in a half-gallon package.

The summer of 1790 must have been a hot one like the one we are experiencing. George Washington, the first President and Father of our country, had such an appetite for ice cream that he consumed $200 worth of ice cream during that summer. He had ice cream making equipment at Mt. Vernon, and guess what he used: He used pewter ice cream pots.

The vitamins in ice cream are excellent for you. Vitamin A keeps the eyes in good condition, body tissues in good repair and helps ward off infection. Riboflavin nourishes body cells. Thiamine helps to burn the food eaten and keeps nerves healthy as well as giving an appetite so we eat foods needed for growth. Ice cream contains, as I mentioned earlier in this article, calcium, protein and vitamin D. These nutrients help provide strong teeth and bones, give vitality to the muscle and nerve tissues and aids in the clotting of blood. It is important that we eat well during the hot summer season and what better way can we enjoy eating as well than enjoying ice cream?

You may wish to mark July 15 on your calendar. It has been established as National Ice Cream Day. This started in 1979 and is being continued. Everyone is encouraged to eat a scoop of ice cream on this day. You may also find that its fun to make your own ice cream in your own backyard.

Ice cream kept tightly covered in a zero-degree freezer will keep well for two months. Many of you have the same trouble I have because I cannot keep any that long because the family enjoys it so much. It is a delicious, nutritious snack and dessert.

If you have a homemaking question or porablem, you may call 352-8244 or you may write P.O. Box 488, Appomattox, VA 24522. It is always a pleasure to hear from you and to help you.

Have a good week!

RECIPE OF THE WEEK
Strawberry Ice Cream

2 cups crushed strawberries
1 egg
½ cup sugar
1-½ cups milk
1-½ cups whipping cream
¼ teaspoon almond extract
1/8 teaspoon salt

Sweeten berries to taste. Beat egg until foamy in a large mixing bowl. Gradually add sugar. Beat until thickened. Add milk, cream, almond extract and salt. Blend in strawberries. Chill, Churn-freeze. Makes approximately 2 quarts.

Oakville club plans picnic

The Oakville Home and Garden Club will have its annual family picnic Tuesday, July 10 at 6 p.m. at the farm of Mr. and Mrs. O.W. Martin, Jr.

Each member is requested to bring a picnic basket and drinks will be furnished by Mrs. O.W. Martin, Jr., and Mrs. Barbara Martin.

Members may come early for recreation. All members are requested to be present.

Personal notes

Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Craddock of Virginia Beach spent Friday night with Mrs. Edna Anderson.

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Michael, David, and Steven Nelson arrived Saturday to spend the summer with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Marshall Stratton. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Kerry V. Nelson, of Anaheim, California. Mrs. Nelson is the former Carol Stratton.

Thank You
To all the people in the Appomattox area who have bought cars from me or have just come by to welcome me back to Appomattox. It surely is a pleasure to be back working with people you know. It's great and I'm glad to be back here. Come see me if I can be of any service to you.
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Mrs. Charles Edward Taylor

Krantz, Taylor marry

The marriage of Connie Marie Krantz to Charles Edward Taylor took place on Saturday morning, June 30 at 11 o'clock in Hebron Baptist Church in Appomattox County with the Rev. Dennis E. Moore of Vinton, former pastor of the church, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Richard Krantz of Spout Spring. The Bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stafford Taylor, Jr., of Springfield.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of victorian design featuring a high neckline, and long sleeves. The bodice was designed with a lace edged ruffle; seed pearls and lace overlay accented the neckline, the full skirt ending in a chapel train was edged in three tier ruffles. Her veil of illusion fell from a headpiece fashioned of lace and pearls. She carried a bouquet of pastel flowers accented with white ribbon streamers.

Mrs. Bobby Brown of Lynchburg was matron of honor. She wore a gown fashioned of pastel blue dotted swiss of victorian design. The full skirt ended in three tier ruffles. She carried a white fan with summer flowers.

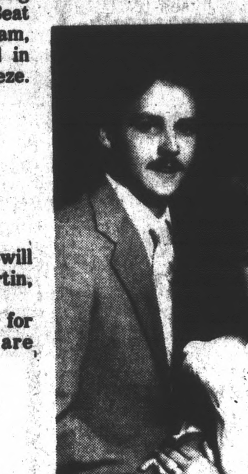
Bridesmaids were Kimberely Krantz of Spout Spring, sister of the bride; Carolyn Kittinger of Lynchburg and Teresa Arrington of Concord. They wore dresses fashioned like that of the honor attendant in a soft shade of lavender. They carried white fans with summer flowers.

David O'Dell of Norfolk was best man and ushers were Jose Valdez of Tampa, Florida and Timothy Tyler of Blacksburg.

The groom wore a white tuxedo and the ushers wore gray tuxedoes.

The bride is a graduate of Appomattox County High School and is employed by Macke Vending Company.

The bridegroom received a B.S. degree in civil engineering from Virginia Tech. [illegible] Virginia.



Bill Vaughan and Judy DeWind

DeWind, Vaughan to marry

Mrs. Alma Russell of Lynchburg, Virginia and Mr. Don DeWind of Waterloo, New York, announce the engagement of their daughter, Judy Ann, to Bill Vaughan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Vaughan of Appomattox.

Miss DeWind received an AAS degree in Business Management from Community College of the Finger Lakes. She is currently working towards a BS degree in accounting and is employed at First Federal Savings and Loan of Lynchburg.

Mr. Vaughan attended Ferrum College and is currently attending Central Virginia Community He is employed at Appomattox Office Supply.

The wedding is planned for May 4 1985 at 3 p.m. in the Holy Cross Catholic Church.

Reunion planned

The family of the late Henry Turns will have their annual reunion on Sunday, July 8 1984.

The reunion will be at the WOW Building in Appomattox 12:30 p.m.

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